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1. Arnolt BRONNEN, cultural editor of the LINZ-URFAHR Communist newspaper Neue Zeit and LEHER, an employee of the paper, are preparing for activities by which intellectuals in Upper Austria are to be won for the Communist Party of Austria (KPOe).
 2. BRONNEN selected a number of persons who live in particularly miserable circumstances. In cooperation with the Central Committee, these people soon will be contacted to recruit them for collaboration with the KPOe. This collaboration would not be known as such by outsiders. The support to be granted to the intellectuals will be financial. They are to prepare studies for the Communist press and are to receive substantial fees for them. The people concerned, who live in VIENNA, will be offered good jobs.

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